GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

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EVALUATION OF IRRIGATION SCHEMES
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the area under irrigation actually declined between 1991-2004 despite huge investments in development of irrigation facilities;

(b) if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor indicating the total investment made during the said period alongwith the land under irrigation in 1991 and 2004; and

(c) the remedial steps taken by the Goverment in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES(SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) No Sir. As per the Statistics of the Ministry of Agriculture, the net irrigated area in 1990-91 was 48.02 million hectares which has increased to 56.62 million hectares in 2003-04.

(b) & (c) Do not arise.